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## STORY OF NEW ORLEANS JEWISH ORPHANS' HOME.

(Continued)

At the meeting January 3rd, 1875, the board received communications from the lodges of the I. O. B. B. asking for the appointment of a committee from the Home Board, with a view of bringing about a close connection between the Order of the Seventh District with the Home, with a view to further invest its interest. The fact that the number of inmates in the Home showed such a vast preponderance of those from the country districts over the city, it was an act of justice for the Order to bring the aid of a powerful organization to promote its grand efforts towards the orphans.

A committee from the board was appointed, to meet a similar committee from the Grand Lodge of the I. O. B. B., Seventh District.

During the conferences of both committees, the following was agreed upon:

For the purpose of assisting in the maintenance of the Widows and Orphans' Home of New Orleans, a fund shall be created, known as the New Orleans Widows and Orphans' Home Fund.

Every brother shall pay to the fund, as long as he remains an actual member of a lodge of the district, a contribution of 50 cents per quarter, and said contribution shall hereafter constitute a part of the regular dues of members to their lodges, to be collected in the same manner as the regular dues, and subjecting the delinquents to the same penalties as apply to members in arrears with their regular dues.

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The secretary of each lodge shall be required to transmit to the secretary of the District Grand Lodge the sum of 50 cents for each quarter, for each and every member of the lodge, and such contribution shall be forwarded, by the secretary of the District Grand Lodge, to the treasurer of the Home.

The annual meeting then went into consideration of the proposed amendments to the Constitution, rendered necessary if the agreement between the I. O. B. B. and the Association were ratified, and the agreement, as well as the amendments to the constitution, were adopted by a large majority.

The twenty-first anniversary of the Home was celebrated on the 9th of January, 1876, Rev. J. Rosenfield delivering the opening prayer.

At a special board meeting, held February 24th, 1876, the subject of the need for more space came up for discussion. Propositions had been made by the owner of adjoining property, fronting on Chippewa street, to sell same to the Association.

At the annual meeting, held on the 19th of March, 1876, the board of officers were authorized to purchase this property for a sum not exceeding \$11,300.

The receipts for the year were stated as \$15,571.33, and the expenditures as \$15,607.29. Number of inmates, 103; membership roll, 374.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Association was held on the 10th of March, 1877.

In his report, the president, Mr. Isaac Scherck, says:

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